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## **MEMO ENDORSED**

VIA ECF

November 10, 2022

Re: United States v. Samuel Taj, No. 21-cr-00249-006 (SHS)

The Honorable Sidney H. Stein Daniel Patrick Moynihan United States Courthouse 500 Pearl Street New York, New York 10007

Dear Judge Stein:

I write to request that the Court adjourn the upcoming sentencing hearing in the above-captioned matter, currently scheduled to occur on Tuesday, November 15 at 4:30 PM, to a time at the Court's convenience on or after Thursday, November 17, 2022. Mr. Taj has submitted two previous requests for adjournments, both of which the Court granted.

I am requesting this extension because I learned today that Mr. Taj is scheduled to take his General Educational Development (GED) exam on either Tuesday, November 15, or Wednesday, November 16, timing that conflicts with the currently scheduled sentencing proceedings. Mr. Taj has been studying for several months in preparation for this exam, and it is very important to him that he has the opportunity to take the GED exam as scheduled. The Government does not consent to or oppose this request.

I thank the Court for its consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

CC:

AUSA Ashley C. Nicolas AUSA Matthew J. King

/s/ Mark J. Stein Mark J. Stein

The sentencing is adjourned to November 18 at 10:00 a.m.

Dated: New York, New York November 14, 2022

SO ORDERED:

Sidney H. Stein, U.S.D.J.